

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2318

Introduced by Assembly Member Yamada

February 19, 2010

An act to add Section 66020.9 to the Education Code, relating to public postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2318, as introduced, Yamada. Public postsecondary education: student fees.

Existing law, known as the Donahoe Higher Education Act, provides for a public postsecondary education system in this state. The 3 segments of the public postsecondary education system are the University of California, which is administered by the Regents of the University of California, the California State University, which is administered by the Trustees of the California State University, and the California Community Colleges, which are administered by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges and the community college district governing boards. The provisions of the Donahoe Higher Education Act apply to the University of California only to the extent that the Regents of the University of California act by resolution to make them applicable.

Existing law authorizes the Trustees of the California State University to require that fees, among other charges, be paid by students at that institution. Existing law requires the governing board of each community college district to charge each student an enrollment fee of \$26 per unit per semester, effective with the fall term of the 2009–10 academic year. Existing provisions of the California Constitution require the Regents

of the University of California to have all powers necessary or convenient for the effective administration of the university.

This bill would require the trustees and the board of governors, and request the regents, to develop processes for the internal allocation of budget reductions that identify and prioritize alternatives to increasing mandatory systemwide student fees.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 66020.9 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:
3 66020.9. The Trustees of the California State University and
4 the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges
5 shall, and the Regents of the University of California are requested
6 to, with respect to each of their respective institutions, develop
7 processes for the internal allocation of budget reductions that
8 identify and prioritize alternatives to increasing mandatory
9 systemwide student fees.